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In re Patent Application of

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For: AN INSTRUCTION BUFFER AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE INSTRUCTION BUFFER WHERE ENTRIES ARE ISSUED IN A PREDETERMINED ORDER (as amended)

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PETITION FOR A ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C. F. R. §1.114

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the office action of November 16, 2006. A request for continued examination (RCE) is concurrently filed with this petition and amendment. The amendment seeks to place the application in prima facie condition for allowance by amending the claims to reflect only subject matter which has previously been allowed.

In response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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